

Executive Registry
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Senator Henry M. Jackson's Visit with the Director

1. At Senator Jackson's request, the Director met with him for an hour and a half beginning at two o'clock on Friday, 3 June 1960. The meeting was at the Agency since Senator Jackson had desired not to cause publicity with the Director visiting at the Senate Office Building. Accompanying the Senator were Dorothy Fosdick, Kenneth Mansfield and Brewster Denny. Present from the Agency in addition to the Director were General Cabell, Mr. Amory, Mr. Sheldon, Abbot Smith, and John S. Warner.

2. Senator Jackson had previously furnished a list of points for conversation dealing generally with the placement of intelligence in the policy making process. (Attached) He made some general comments that he wanted to be careful of security and that at no point did he want any transcript taken on CIA matters nor did he intend to take any testimony from CIA people. In their report it is anticipated that he would refer to the place of intelligence in the decision making processes but any comments on intelligence would be submitted to the Agency for review prior to release. He pointed out that he had coordinated his proposed visit with the Director with Senator Johnson. He also stated that he would like to help the Agency in any way he could.

3. The Director gave a general discussion going back to the Allen W. Dulles/William Jackson/Matthias Correa report. This group was established by President Truman to review the activities and organization of CIA and to make appropriate recommendations to him. He then dealt with the law establishing the Agency and outlining its functions. He pointed out that the debates in the Congress while in

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executive session clearly contemplated that CIA would conduct espionage. The Director then dealt with the estimating process and collection generally. He discussed the NIE procedures and the Watch Committee. In addition to the Estimates as a means of dissemination he discussed the daily and weekly bulletins and his weekly briefing of the National Security Council.

4. The Director then mentioned the fact that NSCIDs are issued by the National Security Council to constitute the basic charter for the operation of CIA. He indicated that these directives are applicable to the entire intelligence community. The contents of these directives were not discussed. The Director discussed in general terms the policy approval mechanism of the special group established by the President to review and approve the special functions of CIA in the cold war field. The Director also mentioned the President's Board of Consultants on Foreign Intelligence established by President Eisenhower to review intelligence activities of CIA and the intelligence community as a whole and which is required to make reports and recommendations to the President on a periodic basis.

5. Discussion then turned to the U-2 matter with Jackson indicating that he did not wish any substantive information on this but rather wished to deal with the procedural aspects. The Director discussed this in the same general terms as he has testified before Congress. Senator Jackson indicated he was going to take testimony from Secretary Gates and Secretary Herter on the U-2 but intended no release of this particular testimony. He then intends to issue a preliminary report on the procedures relating to the U-2 incident and at a later date there will be a full report from the Committee.

6. There was some general discussion of other matters including the Khrushchev speech attacking Eisenhower personally. Jackson expressed appreciation at the opportunity for this type of round table discussion and indicated he possibly would like to talk further with General Cabell and Mr. Amory. The Director indicated he had no objection to this.

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Attachment



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